

ORDER

SPECIAL CLOSURE

WENATCHEE NATIONAL FOREST

Pursuant to 36 CFR Section 261.50(b), the following acts are prohibited in order to protect Forest lands and resources within the Wenatchee National Forest, Leavenworth Ranger District, on trails and routes described in this order, until further notice.

- (1) Using any motorized vehicle on the Squilchuck Trail Number 1200 in the N1/2SW1/4 Section 24, T21N, R19E, W.M. 36 CFR 261.55(b).

Pursuant to 36 CFR Section 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- (1) Any Federal, State or local officer, or member of an organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- (2) Persons with a permit or contract specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.

Done at Wenatchee, Washington this 28th day of MAY, 1993.

Sonny J. O'Neal
SONNY O'NEAL
Forest Supervisor
Wenatchee National Forest

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$500.00 or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both. Title USC Section 551.

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ENFORCEMENT PLAN

SQUILCHUCK TRAIL

| Action | Who | When |
|--|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Place signs at trailheads at Mission Ridge and on Liberty Beehive for both ends of trail 1200. | ORV Ranger | by May 1 each yr |
| Place signs on Beehive Pipeline where trail crosses pipeline. | ORV Ranger | by May 1 each yr |
| Place signs in Mission Ridge Ski area where pipeline crosses service road and along service road to limit ORV's to single route through area and keep out of rest of ski area. | ORV Ranger | by May 1 each yr |
| Orient receptionists and backups to closure and reasons. | R.A., ORV Ranger | by May 1 each yr |
| Announce closure several times in Forest recreation report. | District Information Officer | by May 1 |
| Field contacts with users | ORV Ranger | Between 5/1 & 10/30 |

CLOSURE RATIONALE

SQUILCHUCK TRAIL

The Squilchuck Trail #1200 is approximately 3 miles long extending from Mission Ridge Ski area parking lot to the Liberty Beehive Road #711. The middle section of the trail contains Lakes Marion and Clara and is on land belonging to the Washington State Department of Wildlife. Only 1/4 mile of trail in Section 14 on the Liberty Beehive end and 3/4 mile of trail in Section 24 on the Mission Ridge side is on the National Forest. The portion of trail on Department of Wildlife land is closed to all motorized use which only leaves short pieces on either end open. This creates short dead-end sections and invites violation of the closure on Department of Wildlife land.

PUBLIC INPUT

Input was received from six (6) respondents.

Northwest Motorcycle Association

Bert Ortiz

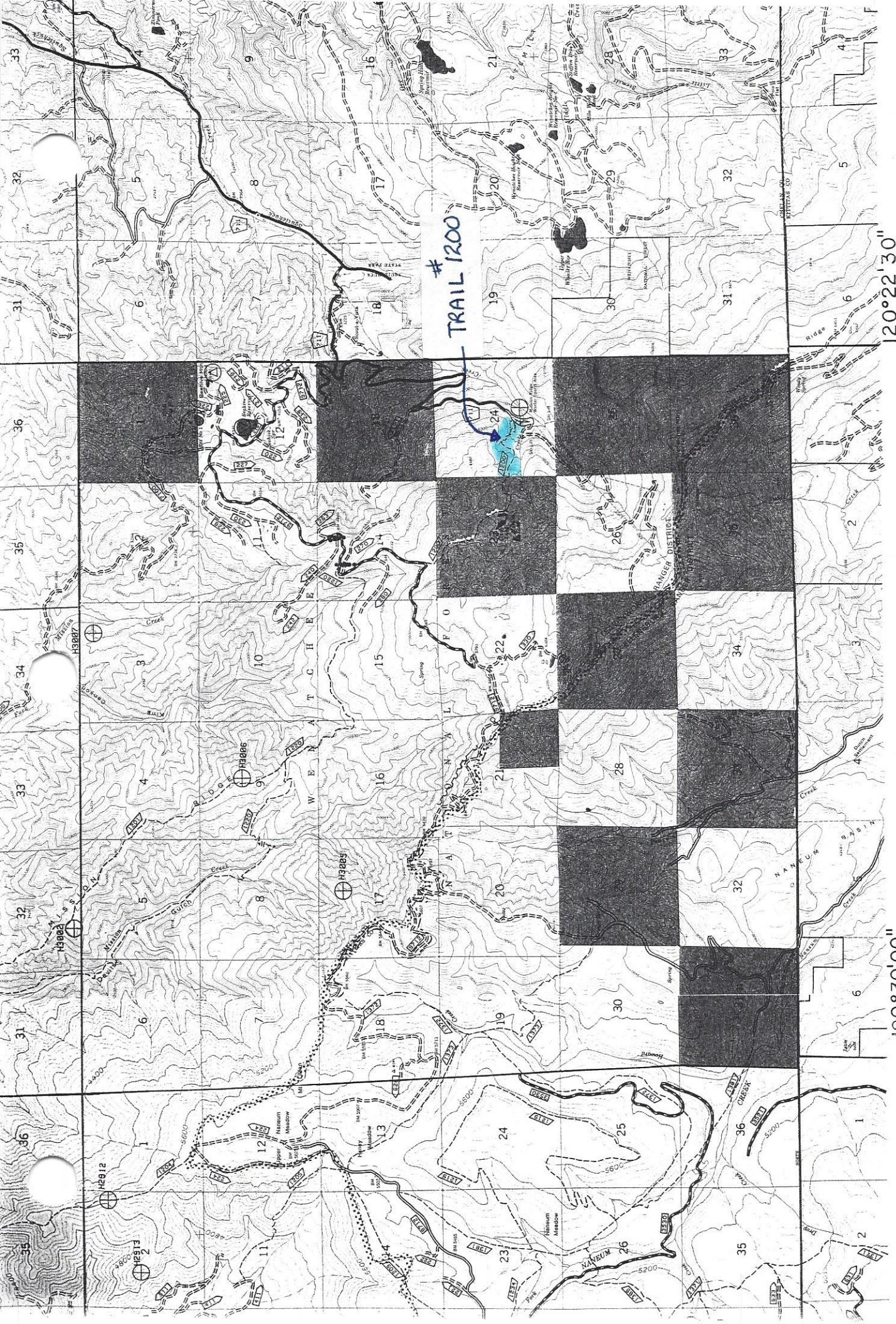
Deborah Seyler -LeAF Vice-President

Liz Tanke - Sierra Club

Susan Saberhagen - NCW Audubon Society

Marilyn Hedges - Wenatchee Outdoor Club

The closure is supported by five of the respondents and opposed by one of the respondents. The closure was mentioned in the appeal to the Forest Plan by the Central Washington Conservation Coalition.



TRAIL 1200

120°22'30"

120°30'00"

R19E

R2

TRAIL CLOSURE

EXHIBIT A



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Date: MARCH 18, 1993

Subject: Squilchuck Trail-Proposed Closure Order

To: Forest Supervisor

Attached for your review and approval, is a proposed closure order for Squilchuck Trail ~~and Beehive pipeline~~ out of Mission Ridge.

REBECCA HEATH
District Ranger

